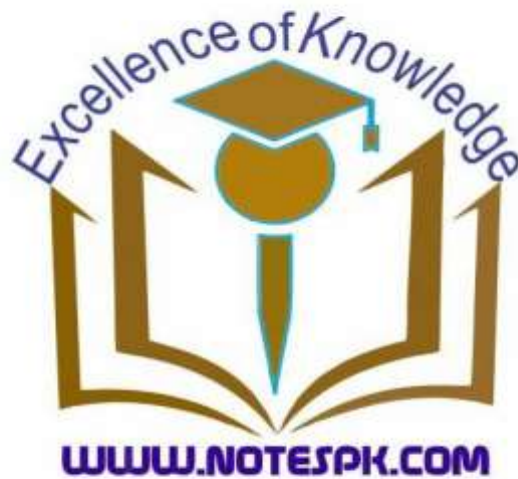


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# Chapter 7.

## LINEAR EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES



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**Radical Equation**

When the variable in an equation occurs under a radical, the equation is called a radical equation.

For example,

$$\sqrt{x-3} - 7 = 0$$

**Linear Equation**

A linear equation in one unknown variable  $x$  is an equation of the form  $ax + b = 0$ , where  $a, b \in R$  and  $a \neq 0$

A solution to a linear equation is any replacement or substitution for the variable  $x$  that makes the statement true. Two linear equations are said to be equivalent if they have exactly the same solution.

For example,  $x + 1 = 0$ ,  $2x + 5 = -1$

**EXERCISE 7.1**

**Q#1) Solve the following equations.**

(i).  $\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{1}{2}x = x + \frac{1}{6}$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{1}{2}x = x + \frac{1}{6}$

Multiply by 6(LCM) on both sides

$$6 \times \frac{2}{3}x - 6 \times \frac{1}{2}x = 6 \times x + 6 \times \frac{1}{6}$$

$$4x - 3x = 6x + 1$$

$$x = 6x + 1$$

$$1 = x - 6x$$

$$1 = -5x$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{5}$$

Check:

$$\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{1}{2}x = x + \frac{1}{6}$$

Put  $x = -\frac{1}{5}$

$$\frac{2}{3}\left(-\frac{1}{5}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{5}\right) = \left(-\frac{1}{5}\right) + \frac{1}{6}$$

$$-\frac{2}{15} + \frac{1}{10} = -\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6}$$

Multiply by 30(LCM) on both sides

$$30 \times \left(-\frac{2}{15}\right) + 30 \times \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)$$

$$= 30 \times \left(-\frac{1}{5}\right) + 30 \times \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)$$

$$-4 + 3 = -6 + 5$$

$$-1 = -1 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = -\frac{1}{5}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{-\frac{1}{5}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{-\frac{1}{5}\right\}$

(ii).  $\frac{x-3}{3} - \frac{x-2}{2} = -1$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{x-3}{3} - \frac{x-2}{2} = -1$

Multiply by 6(LCM) on both sides

$$6 \times \left(\frac{x-3}{3}\right) - 6 \times \left(\frac{x-2}{2}\right) = 6 \times (-1)$$

$$2(x-3) - 3(x-2) = -6$$

$$2x - 6 - 3x + 6 = -6$$

$$-x = -6$$

$$x = 6$$

Check:

$$\frac{x-3}{3} - \frac{x-2}{2} = -1$$

Put  $x = 6$

$$\frac{(6)-3}{3} - \frac{(6)-2}{2} = -1$$

$$\frac{3}{3} - \frac{4}{2} = -1$$

$$1 - 2 = -1$$

$$-1 = -1 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = 6$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{6\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{6\}$

(ii).  $\frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 3x\right)$

**Solution:**

As given  $\frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 3x\right)$

$$\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{12} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} - x$$

Multiply by 12(LCM) on both sides

$$12 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) - 12 \times \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)$$

$$+ 12 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 12 \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right) + 12 \times \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) - 12 \times (x)$$

$$6x - 1 + 8 = 10 + 2 - 12x$$

$$6x + 7 = 12 - 12x$$

$$6x + 12x = 12 - 7$$

$$18x = 5$$

$$x = \frac{5}{18}$$

Check:

$$\frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 3x\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{12} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} - x$$

Put  $x = \frac{5}{18}$

$$\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{5}{18}\right) - \frac{1}{12} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} - \left(\frac{5}{18}\right)$$

$$\frac{5}{36} - \frac{1}{12} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{5}{18}$$

Multiply by 36(LCM) on both sides

$$36 \times \left(\frac{5}{36}\right) - 36 \times \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)$$

$$+ 36 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 36 \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right) + 36 \times \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) - 36 \times \left(\frac{5}{18}\right)$$

$$5 - 3 + 24 = 30 + 6 - 10$$

$$-3 + 29 = 36 - 10$$

$$26 = 26 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = \frac{5}{18}$  satisfy the given equation, therefore,

the solution set is  $\left\{\frac{5}{18}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{\frac{5}{18}\right\}$

$$(iv). x + \frac{1}{3} = 2\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right) - 6x$$

**Solution:** As given  $x + \frac{1}{3} = 2\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right) - 6x$

$$x + \frac{1}{3} = 2x - \frac{4}{3} - 6x$$

Multiply by 3(LCM) on both sides

$$3 \times (x) + 3 \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$= 3 \times (2x) - 3 \times \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) - 3 \times (6x)$$

$$3x + 1 = 6x - 4 - 18x$$

$$3x + 1 = -4 - 12x$$

$$3x + 12 = -4 - 1$$

$$15x = -5$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{15}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Check:

$$x + \frac{1}{3} = 2\left(x - \frac{2}{3}\right) - 6x$$

$$x + \frac{1}{3} = 2x - \frac{4}{3} - 6x$$

Put  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{3} = 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) - \frac{4}{3} - 6\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = -\frac{2}{3} - \frac{4}{3} + 2$$

Multiply by 3(LCM) on both sides

$$-1 + 1 = -2 - 4 + 6$$

$$0 = 0 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = -\frac{1}{3}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{-\frac{1}{3}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{-\frac{1}{3}\right\}$

$$(v) \frac{5(x-3)}{6} - x = 1 - \frac{x}{9}$$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{5(x-3)}{6} - x = 1 - \frac{x}{9}$

Multiply by 18 (LCM) on both sides

$$18 \times \left(\frac{5(x-3)}{6}\right) - 18 \times (x)$$

$$= 18 \times (1) - 18 \times \left(\frac{x}{9}\right)$$

$$3(5x - 15) - 18x = 18 - 2x$$

$$15x - 45 - 18x = 18 - 2x$$

$$-45 - 3x = 18 - 2x$$

$$-3x + 2x = 18 + 45$$

$$-x = 63$$

$$x = -63$$

Check:

$$\frac{5(x-3)}{6} - x = 1 - \frac{x}{9}$$

Put  $x = -63$

$$\frac{5(-63-3)}{6} - (-63) = 1 - \frac{(-63)}{9}$$

$$\frac{5(-66)}{6} + 63 = 1 + \frac{63}{9}$$

$$-55 + 63 = 1 + 7$$

$$8 = 8 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = -63$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\{-63\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{-63\}$

$$(vi). \frac{x}{3x-6} = 2 - \frac{2x}{x-2}, x \neq 2$$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{x}{3x-6} = 2 - \frac{2x}{x-2}$

$$\frac{x}{3x-6} = \frac{2(x-2) - 2x}{x-2}$$

$$\frac{x}{3x-6} = \frac{2x - 4 - 2x}{x-2}$$

$$\frac{x}{3x-6} = \frac{-4}{x-2}$$

$$\frac{x}{3x-6} = \frac{-4}{x-2}$$

$$x(x-2) = -4(3x-6)$$

$$x^2 - 2x = -12x + 24$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 12x - 24 = 0$$

$$x(x-2) + 12(x-2) = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x+12) = 0$$

That is  $x = 2, -12$

Since it is given that  $x \neq 2$ , therefore, we ignore  $x = 2$  and just check  $x = -12$  for the solution set.

Check:

$$\frac{x}{3x-6} = 2 - \frac{2x}{x-2}$$

Put  $x = -12$

$$\frac{(-12)}{3(-12)-6} = 2 - \frac{2(-12)}{(-12)-2}$$

$$\frac{-12}{-36-6} = 2 + \frac{24}{-12-2}$$

$$\frac{-12}{-42} = 2 + \frac{24}{-14}$$

$$\frac{2}{-7} = \frac{28-24}{-14}$$

$$\frac{2}{-7} = \frac{4}{-14}$$

$$\frac{2}{-7} = \frac{2}{-7} \text{ (which is true)}$$

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$$\frac{2}{-7} = \frac{2}{-7}$$

Since  $x = -12$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\{-12\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{-12\}$

$$(vii). \frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{4x+10}, x \neq \frac{6}{2}$$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{4x+10}$

$$\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{2(4x+10) - 15}{3(4x+10)}$$

$$\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{8x+20-15}{12x+30}$$

$$\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{8x+5}{12x+30}$$

$$\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{8x+5}{12x+30}$$

$$2x(12x+30) = (8x+5)(2x+5)$$

$$24x^2 + 60x = 16x^2 + 40x + 10x + 25$$

$$24x^2 + 60x = 16x^2 + 50x + 25$$

$$24x^2 + 60x - 16x^2 - 50x - 25 = 0$$

$$8x^2 + 10x - 25 = 0$$

$$8x^2 + 20x - 10x - 25 = 0$$

$$4x(2x+5) - 5(2x+5) = 0$$

$$(2x+5)(4x-5) = 0$$

That is  $x = -\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{4}$

Since it is given that  $x \neq -\frac{5}{2}$ , therefore, we ignore  $x = -\frac{5}{2}$  and just check  $x = \frac{5}{4}$  for the solution set.

Check:

$$\frac{2x}{2x+5} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{4x+10}$$

Put  $x = \frac{5}{4}$

$$\frac{2\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)}{2\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)+5} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{4\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)+10}$$

$$\frac{\frac{5}{2}}{\frac{5}{2}+5} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{5+10}$$

$$\frac{\frac{5}{2}}{5+10} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{5}{15}$$

$$\frac{5}{15} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = \frac{5}{4}$  satisfy the given equation, therefore,

the solution set is  $\left\{\frac{5}{4}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{\frac{5}{4}\right\}$

$$(viii). \frac{2x}{x-1} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{2}{x-1}, x \neq 1$$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{2x}{x-1} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{2}{x-1}$

$$\frac{2x}{x-1} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{6} + \frac{2}{x-1}$$

$$\frac{3(2x) + (x-1)}{3(x-1)} = \frac{5(x-1) + 2(6)}{6(x-1)}$$

$$\frac{6x+x-1}{3(x-1)} = \frac{5x-5+12}{6(x-1)}$$

$$\frac{7x-1}{3(x-1)} = \frac{5x+7}{6(x-1)}$$

$$(7x-1)6(x-1) = 3(x-1)(5x+7)$$

$$6(7x-1)(x-1) - 3(x-1)(5x+7) = 0$$

$$3(x-1)[2(7x-1) - (5x+7)] = 0$$

$$3(x-1)(14x-2-5x-7) = 0$$

$$3(x-1)(9x-9) = 0$$

$$3(x-1)9(x-1) = 0$$

$$27(x-1)^2 = 0$$

Which implies that

$(x-1) = 0$  gives that  $x = 1$  which is not possible (given  $x \neq 1$ )

therefore, the solution set is  $\{\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{\}$

$$(ix). \frac{2}{x^2-1} - \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{1}{x+1}, x \neq \pm 1$$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{2}{x^2-1} - \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{1}{x+1}$

$$\frac{2}{(x+1)(x-1)} - \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$\frac{2 - (x-1)}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$\frac{2 - x + 1}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$\frac{3 - x}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$\frac{3 - x}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$(3-x)(x+1) = (x+1)(x-1)$$

$$(3-x)(x+1) - (x+1)(x-1) = 0$$

$$(x+1)[(3-x) - (x-1)] = 0$$

$$(x+1)(3-x-x+1) = 0$$

$$(x+1)(4-2x) = 0$$

That is  $x = -1, 2$

Since it is given that  $x \neq \pm 1$ , therefore, we ignore  $x = -1$  and just check  $x = 2$  for the solution set.

Check:

$$\frac{2}{x^2-1} - \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{1}{x+1}$$

Put  $x = 2$

$$\frac{2}{(2)^2-1} - \frac{1}{(2)+1} = \frac{1}{(2)+1}$$

$$\frac{2}{4-1} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = 2$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{2\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{2\}$

$$(x). \frac{2}{3x+6} = \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2x+4}, x \neq -2$$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{2}{3x+6} = \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2x+4}$

$$\frac{2}{3x+6} = \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2x+4}$$

$$\frac{2}{3x+6} = \frac{1(2x+4) - 6}{6(2x+4)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2}{3x+6} &= \frac{2x+4-6}{6(2x+4)} \\ \frac{2}{3x+6} &= \frac{2x-2}{6(2x+4)} \\ \frac{2}{3x+6} &= \frac{2(x-1)}{6(2(x+2))} \\ \frac{2}{3(x+2)} &= \frac{(x-1)}{6(x+2)} \\ 12(x+2) &= 3(x+2)(x-1) \\ 12(x+2) - 3(x+2)(x-1) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}3(x+2)[4-x+1] &= 0 \\ 3(x+2)(5-x) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

That is  $x = -2, 5$

Since it is given that  $x \neq -2$ , therefore, we ignore  $x = -2$  and just check  $x = 5$  for the solution set.

Check:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2}{3x+6} &= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2x+4} \\ \text{Put } x = 5 \\ \frac{2}{3(5)+6} &= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2(5)+4} \\ \frac{2}{15+6} &= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{10+4} \\ \frac{2}{21} &= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{14} \\ \frac{2}{21} &= \frac{7-3}{42} \\ \frac{2}{21} &= \frac{4}{42}\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{2}{21} = \frac{2}{21} \quad (\text{which is true})$$

Since  $x = 5$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{5\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{5\}$

Q#2) Solve each equation and check for extraneous solution if any.

(i).  $\sqrt{3x+4} = 2$

**Solution:** As given  $\sqrt{3x+4} = 2$

On squaring, we get

$$\begin{aligned}(\sqrt{3x+4})^2 &= (2)^2 \\ 3x+4 &= 4 \\ 3x &= 0 \\ x &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$\sqrt{3x+4} = 2$$

Put  $x = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{3(0)+4} &= 2 \\ \sqrt{0+4} &= 2 \\ 2 &= 2 \quad (\text{which is true})\end{aligned}$$

Since  $x = 0$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{0\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{0\}$

(ii).  $\sqrt[3]{2x-4} - 2 = 0$

**Solution:** As given  $\sqrt[3]{2x-4} - 2 = 0$

$$\sqrt[3]{2x-4} = 2$$

Taking cube on both sides

$$\begin{aligned}(\sqrt[3]{2x-4})^3 &= (2)^3 \\ 2x-4 &= 8 \\ 2x &= 8+4 \\ 2x &= 12 \\ x &= 6\end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$\sqrt[3]{2x-4} - 2 = 0$$

Put  $x = 6$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[3]{2(6)-4} - 2 &= 0 \\ \sqrt[3]{12-4} - 2 &= 0 \\ \sqrt[3]{8} - 2 &= 0 \\ 2 - 2 &= 0 \\ 0 &= 0 \quad (\text{which is true})\end{aligned}$$

Since  $x = 6$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{6\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{6\}$

(ii).  $\sqrt{x-3} - 7 = 0$

**Solution:** As given  $\sqrt{x-3} - 7 = 0$

$$\sqrt{x-3} = 7$$

Taking square on both sides

$$\begin{aligned}(\sqrt{x-3})^2 &= (7)^2 \\ x-3 &= 49 \\ x &= 49+3 \\ x &= 52\end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$\sqrt{x-3} - 7 = 0$$

Put  $x = 52$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{52-3} - 7 &= 0 \\ \sqrt{49} - 7 &= 0 \\ 7 - 7 &= 0 \\ 0 &= 0 \quad (\text{which is true})\end{aligned}$$

Since  $x = 52$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{52\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{52\}$

(iii).  $2\sqrt{t+4} = 5$

**Solution:** As given  $2\sqrt{t+4} = 5$

Taking square on both sides

$$\begin{aligned}(2\sqrt{t+4})^2 &= (5)^2 \\ 4(t+4) &= 25 \\ 4t+16 &= 25 \\ 4t &= 25-16 \\ t &= \frac{9}{4}\end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$2\sqrt{t+4} = 5$$

Put  $t = \frac{9}{2}$

$$2\sqrt{\frac{9}{4} + 4} = 5$$

$$2\sqrt{\frac{9+16}{4}} = 5$$

$$2\sqrt{\frac{25}{4}} = 5$$

$$2\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) = 5$$

$$5 = 5 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $t = \frac{9}{2}$  satisfy the given equation, therefore,

the solution set is  $\left\{\frac{9}{2}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{\frac{9}{2}\right\}$

(v).  $\sqrt[3]{2x+3} = \sqrt[3]{x-2}$

**Solution:** As given  $\sqrt[3]{2x+3} = \sqrt[3]{x-2}$

Taking cube on both sides

$$(\sqrt[3]{2x+3})^3 = (\sqrt[3]{x-2})^3$$

$$2x+3 = x-2$$

$$2x - x = -2 - 3$$

$$x = -5$$

Check:

$$\sqrt[3]{2x+3} = \sqrt[3]{x-2}$$

Put  $x = -5$

$$\sqrt[3]{2(-5)+3} = \sqrt[3]{(-5)-2}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{-10+3} = \sqrt[3]{-5-2}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{-7} = \sqrt[3]{-7}$$

Taking cube root, we have

$$-7 = -7 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = -5$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\{-5\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{-5\}$

(v).  $\sqrt[3]{2-t} = \sqrt[3]{2t-28}$

**Solution:** As given  $\sqrt[3]{2-t} = \sqrt[3]{2t-28}$

Taking cube on both sides

$$(\sqrt[3]{2-t})^3 = (\sqrt[3]{2t-28})^3$$

$$2-t = 2t-28$$

$$2+28 = 2t+t$$

$$30 = 3t$$

$$t = 10$$

Check:

$$\sqrt[3]{2-t} = \sqrt[3]{2t-28}$$

Put  $t = 10$

$$\sqrt[3]{2-10} = \sqrt[3]{2(10)-28}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{-8} = \sqrt[3]{20-28}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{-8} = \sqrt[3]{-8}$$

Taking cube root, we have

$$-8 = -8 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $t = 10$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{10\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{10\}$

(viii).  $\sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2x+5}} = 2, x \neq -\frac{5}{2}$

**Solution:** As given  $\sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2x+5}} = 2$

Taking square on both sides

$$\left(\sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2x+5}}\right)^2 = (2)^2$$

$$\frac{x+1}{2x+5} = 4$$

$$x+1 = 4(2x+5)$$

$$x+1 = 8x+20$$

$$1-20 = 8x-x$$

$$-19 = 7x$$

$$x = -\frac{19}{7}$$

Check:

$$\sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2x+5}} = 2$$

Put  $x = -\frac{19}{7}$

$$\sqrt{\frac{\left(-\frac{19}{7}\right)+1}{2\left(-\frac{19}{7}\right)+5}} = 2$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{\frac{-19+7}{7}}{\frac{-38+35}{7}}} = 2$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{-12}{7} \cdot \frac{7}{-3}} = 2$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{12}{3}} = 2$$

$$\sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$2 = 2 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = -\frac{19}{7}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{-\frac{19}{7}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{-\frac{19}{7}\right\}$



**Absolute Value**

The Absolute value of real number ' $a$ ' is denoted by  $|a|$ , is defined as

$$|a| = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } a \geq 0 \\ -a & \text{if } a < 0 \end{cases}$$

For example,  $|6| = 6$ ,  $|-5| = -(-5) = 5$   
 $|0| = 0$

**Some Properties of Absolute value**

If  $a, b \in R$ , then

- (i).  $|a| \geq 0$
- (ii).  $|-a| = |a|$
- (iii).  $|ab| = |a||b|$
- (iv).  $\left|\frac{a}{b}\right| = \frac{|a|}{|b|}$ ,  $|b| \neq 0$

**EXERCISE 7.2**

Q#1) 1. Identify the following statements as **True or False**.

- (i)  $|x| = 0$  has only one solution. ...**T**...
- (ii) All absolute value equations have two solutions. **F**...
- (iii) The equation  $|x| = 2$  is equivalent to  $x = 2$  or  $x = -2$ . ...**T**.....
- (iv) The equation  $|x - 4| = -4$  has no solution. ...**F**
- (v) The equation  $|2x - 3| = 5$  is equivalent to  $2x - 3 = 5$  or  $2x + 3 = 5$ . ...**F**...

Q#2) Solve for  $x$

- (i).  $|3x - 5| = 4$

Sol: As given  $|3x - 5| = 4$

By definition, we have

$$3x - 5 = 4 \text{ or } 3x - 5 = -4$$

$$3x = 4 + 5 \text{ or } 3x = -4 + 5$$

$$3x = 9 \text{ or } 3x = 1$$

$$x = 3 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Check:

$$|3x - 5| = 4 \dots (1)$$

Put  $x = 3$ , in (1)

$$|3(3) - 5| = 4$$

$$|9 - 5| = 4$$

$$|4| = 4$$

$$4 = 4 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put  $x = \frac{1}{3}$ , in (1)

$$\left|3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 5\right| = 4$$

$$|1 - 5| = 4$$

$$|-4| = 4$$

$$4 = 4 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = 3, \frac{1}{3}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{3, \frac{1}{3}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{3, \frac{1}{3}\right\}$

(ii).  $\frac{1}{2}|3x + 2| - 4 = 11$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{1}{2}|3x + 2| - 4 = 11$

$$\frac{1}{2}|3x + 2| = 11 + 4$$

$$\frac{1}{2}|3x + 2| = 15$$

$$|3x + 2| = 30$$

By definition, we have

$$3x + 2 = 30 \text{ or } 3x + 2 = -30$$

$$3x = 30 - 2 \text{ or } 3x = -30 - 2$$

$$3x = 28 \text{ or } 3x = -\frac{32}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{28}{3} \text{ or } x = -\frac{32}{3}$$

Check:

$$\frac{1}{2}|3x + 2| - 4 = 11 \dots (1)$$

Put  $x = \frac{28}{3}$ , in (1)

$$\frac{1}{2}\left|3\left(\frac{28}{3}\right) + 2\right| - 4 = 11$$

$$\frac{1}{2}|28 + 2| - 4 = 11$$

$$\frac{1}{2}|30| - 4 = 11$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(30) - 4 = 11$$

$$15 - 4 = 11$$

$$11 = 11 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put  $x = -\frac{32}{3}$ , in (1)

$$\frac{1}{2}\left|3\left(-\frac{32}{3}\right) + 2\right| - 4 = 11$$

$$\frac{1}{2}|-32 + 2| - 4 = 11$$

$$\frac{1}{2}|-30| - 4 = 11$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(30) - 4 = 11$$

$$15 - 4 = 11$$

$$11 = 11 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = \frac{28}{3}, -\frac{32}{3}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{\frac{28}{3}, -\frac{32}{3}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \left\{\frac{28}{3}, -\frac{32}{3}\right\}$

(iii).  $|2x + 5| = 11$

**Solution:** As given  $|2x + 5| = 11$

By definition, we have

$$2x + 5 = 11 \text{ or } 2x + 5 = -11$$

$$2x = 11 - 5 \text{ or } 2x = -11 - 5$$

$$2x = 6 \text{ or } 2x = -16$$



$$x = 3 \text{ or } x = -8$$

Check:

$$|2x + 5| = 11 \dots (1)$$

Put  $x = 3$ , in (1)

$$|2(3) + 5| = 11$$

$$|6 + 5| = 11$$

$$|11| = 11$$

$$11 = 11 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put  $x = -8$ , in (1)

$$|2(-8) + 5| = 11$$

$$|-16 + 5| = 11$$

$$|-11| = 11$$

$$11 = 11 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = 3, -8$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{3, -8\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{3, -8\}$

(iii).  $|3 + 2x| = |6x - 7|$

**Solution:** As given  $|3 + 2x| = |6x - 7|$

$$\frac{|3 + 2x|}{|6x - 7|} = 1$$

$$\frac{|3 + 2x|}{|6x - 7|} = 1$$

By definition, we have

$$\frac{3+2x}{6x-7} = 1 \text{ or } \frac{3+2x}{6x-7} = -1$$

$$3 + 2x = 6x - 7 \text{ or } 3 + 2x = -6x + 7$$

$$3 + 7 = 6x - 2x \text{ or } 2x + 6x = 7 - 3$$

$$10 = 4x \text{ or } 8x = 4$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2} \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Check:

$$|3 + 2x| = |6x - 7| \dots (1)$$

Put  $x = \frac{5}{2}$ , in (1)

$$\left| 3 + 2\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \right| = \left| 6\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) - 7 \right|$$

$$|3 + 5| = |15 - 7|$$

$$|8| = |8|$$

$$8 = 8 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , in (1)

$$\left| 3 + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right| = \left| 6\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 7 \right|$$

$$|3 + 1| = |3 - 7|$$

$$|4| = |-4|$$

$$4 = 4 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = \frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S =$

$$\left\{\frac{5}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right\}$$

(v).  $|x + 2| - 3 = 5 - |x + 2|$

**Solution:** As given  $|x + 2| - 3 = 5 - |x + 2|$

$$|x + 2| + |x + 2| = 5 + 3$$

$$2|x + 2| = 8$$

$$|x + 2| = 4$$

By definition, we have

$$x + 2 = 4 \text{ or } x + 2 = -4$$

$$x = 4 - 2 \text{ or } x = -4 - 2$$

$$x = 2 \text{ or } x = -6$$

Check:

$$|x + 2| - 3 = 5 - |x + 2| \dots (1)$$

Put  $x = 2$ , in (1)

$$|2 + 2| - 3 = 5 - |2 + 2|$$

$$|4| - 3 = 5 - |4|$$

$$4 - 3 = 5 - 4$$

$$1 = 1 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put  $x = -6$ , in (1)

$$|-6 + 2| - 3 = 5 - |-6 + 2|$$

$$|-4| - 3 = 5 - |-4|$$

$$4 - 3 = 5 - 4$$

$$1 = 1 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = 2, -6$  satisfy the given equation, therefore, the solution set is  $\{2, -6\}$  i.e.  $S.S = \{2, -6\}$

(vi).  $\frac{1}{2}|x + 3| + 21 = 9$

**Solution:** As given  $\frac{1}{2}|x + 3| + 21 = 9$

$$\frac{1}{2}|x + 3| = 9 - 21$$

$$\frac{1}{2}|x + 3| = -12$$

$$|x + 3| = -24$$

Which is not possible as modulus value is always non-negative.

(vii).  $\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$

Sol: As given  $\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$

$$\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| = \frac{2+1}{3}$$

$$\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| = \frac{3}{3}$$

$$\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| = 1$$

$$|3 - 5x| = 4$$

By definition, we have

$$3 - 5x = 4 \text{ or } 3 - 5x = -4$$

$$3 - 4 = 5x \text{ or } 3 + 4 = 5x$$

$$-1 = 5x \text{ or } 7 = 5x$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{5} \text{ or } x = \frac{7}{5}$$

Check:

$$\left|\frac{3-5x}{4}\right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \dots (1)$$

Put  $x = -\frac{1}{5}$ , in (1)

$$\left| \frac{3 - 5\left(-\frac{1}{5}\right)}{4} \right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\left| \frac{3 + 1}{4} \right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\left| \frac{4}{4} \right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$|1| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{3 - 1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put  $x = \frac{7}{5}$ , in (1)

$$\left| \frac{3 - 5\left(\frac{7}{5}\right)}{4} \right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\left| \frac{3 - 7}{4} \right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\left| \frac{-4}{4} \right| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$|-1| - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{3 - 1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = -\frac{1}{5}, \frac{7}{5}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{7}{5}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S =$

$$\left\{-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{7}{5}\right\}$$

(viii).  $\left| \frac{x+5}{2-x} \right| = 6$

**Solution:** As given  $\left| \frac{x+5}{2-x} \right| = 6$

By definition, we have

$$\frac{x+5}{2-x} = 6 \text{ or } \frac{x+5}{2-x} = -6$$

$$x + 5 = 12 - 6x \text{ or } x + 5 = -12 + 6x$$

$$x + 6x = 12 - 5 \text{ or } 5 + 12 = 6x - x$$

$$7x = 7 \text{ or } 17 = 5x$$

$$x = 1 \text{ or } x = \frac{17}{5}$$

Check:

$$\left| \frac{x+5}{2-x} \right| = 6 \dots (1)$$

Put  $x = 1$ , in (1)

$$\left| \frac{1+5}{2-1} \right| = 6$$

$$\left| \frac{6}{1} \right| = 6$$

$$|6| = 6$$

$$6 = 6 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put  $x = \frac{17}{5}$ , in (1)

$$\left| \frac{\left(\frac{17}{5}\right) + 5}{2 - \left(\frac{17}{5}\right)} \right| = 6$$

$$\left| \frac{\frac{17 + 25}{5}}{\frac{10 - 17}{5}} \right| = 6$$

$$\left| \frac{\frac{42}{5}}{\frac{-7}{5}} \right| = 6$$

$$\left| \frac{42}{-7} \right| = 6$$

$$|-6| = 6$$

$$6 = 6 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Since  $x = 1, \frac{17}{5}$  satisfy the given equation,

therefore, the solution set is  $\left\{1, \frac{17}{5}\right\}$  i.e.  $S.S =$

$$\left\{1, \frac{17}{5}\right\}$$

**Absolute Value**

A linear inequality in one variable  $x$  is an inequality in which the variable  $x$  occurs only to the first power and has the standard form

$$ax + b < 0, a \neq 0$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers. We may replace the symbol  $<$  by  $>, \leq, \geq$  also.

**EXERCISE 7.3**

**Q#1) Solve the following inequalities.**

**(i).  $3x + 1 < 5x - 4$**

**Solution:** As given  $3x + 1 < 5x - 4$

$$\Rightarrow 5 < 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{2} < x$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x > \frac{5}{2}\}$

**(ii).  $4x - 10.3 \leq 21x - 1.8$**

**Solution:** As given  $4x - 10.3 \leq 21x - 1.8$

$$\Rightarrow -10.3 + 1.8 \leq 21x - 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow -8.5 \leq 17x$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{8.5}{17} \leq x$$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq -0.5$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x \geq -0.5\}$

**(iii).  $4 - \frac{1}{2}x \geq -7 + \frac{1}{4}x$**

**Solution:** As given  $4 - \frac{1}{2}x \geq -7 + \frac{1}{4}x$

Multiply by 4

$$\Rightarrow 16 - 2x \geq -28 + x$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 + 28 \geq x + 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 44 \geq 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq \frac{44}{3}$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x \leq \frac{44}{3}\}$

**(iv).  $x - 2(5 - 2x) \geq 6x - 3\frac{1}{2}$**

**Solution:** As given  $x - 2(5 - 2x) \geq 6x - 3\frac{1}{2}$

$$x - 10 + 4x \geq 6x - \frac{7}{2}$$

$$5x - 10 \geq 6x - \frac{7}{2}$$

Multiply by 2

$$\Rightarrow 10x - 20 \geq 12x - 7$$

$$\Rightarrow -20 + 7 \geq 12x - 10x$$

$$\Rightarrow -13 \geq 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq \frac{-13}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq -6.5$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x \leq -6.5\}$

**(v).  $\frac{3x+2}{9} - \frac{2x+1}{3} > -1$**

**Sol:** As given  $\frac{3x+2}{9} - \frac{2x+1}{3} > -1$

Multiply by 4 (LCM), we have

$$\Rightarrow 9 \times \left(\frac{3x+2}{9}\right) - 9 \times \left(\frac{2x+1}{3}\right) > 9 \times (-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x + 2) - 3(2x + 1) > -9$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x + 2 - 6x - 3 > -9$$

$$\Rightarrow -3x - 1 > -9$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 + 9 > 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 > 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8}{3} > x$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x < \frac{8}{3}\}$

**(vi).  $3(2x + 1) - 2(2x + 5) < 5(3x - 2)$**

**Solution:** As given  $3(2x + 1) - 2(2x + 5) < 5(3x - 2)$

$$\Rightarrow 6x + 3 - 4x - 10 < 15x - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 7 < 15x - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow -7 + 10 < 15x - 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 < 13x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{13} < x$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x > \frac{3}{13}\}$

**(vii).  $3(x - 1) - (x - 2) > -2(x + 4)$**

**Solution:** As given  $3(x - 1) - (x - 2) > -2(x + 4)$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 3 - x + 2 > -2x - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 1 > -2x - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 2x > -8 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x > -7$$

$$\Rightarrow x > -\frac{7}{4}$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x > -\frac{7}{4}\}$

**(viii).  $2\frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3}(5x - 4) > -\frac{1}{3}(8x + 7)$**

**Solution:** As given  $2\frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3}(5x - 4) > -\frac{1}{3}(8x + 7)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8}{3} + \frac{2}{3}(5x - 4) > -\frac{1}{3}(8x + 7)$$

Multiply by 3 (LCM)

$$\Rightarrow 3 \times \left(\frac{8}{3}\right) + 3 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}(5x - 4)\right) > 3 \times \left(-\frac{1}{3}(8x + 7)\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 2(5x - 4) > -(8x + 7)$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 10x - 8 > -8x - 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 10x > -8x - 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 10x + 8x > -7$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x > -7$$

$$\Rightarrow x < -\frac{7}{18}$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | x < -\frac{7}{18}\}$

**Q#2) Solve the following inequalities.**

**(i).  $-4 < 3x + 5 < 8$**

**Solution:** As given  $-4 < 3x + 5 < 8$

$$\Rightarrow -4 - 5 < 3x < 8 - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow -9 < 3x < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{9}{3} < \frac{3x}{3} < \frac{3}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 < x < 1$$

Hence,  $S.S = \{x | -3 < x < 1\}$

(ii).  $-5 < \frac{4-3x}{2} < 1$

**Solution:** As given  $-5 < \frac{4-3x}{2} < 1$

Multiply by 2

$$\Rightarrow -10 < 4 - 3x < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10 - 4 < 4 - 3x - 4 < 2 - 4$$

$$\Rightarrow -14 < -3x < -2$$

Multiply by  $-1$  (inequality changes)

$$\Rightarrow 14 > 3x > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{14}{3} > x > \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Hence, } S.S = \{x | \frac{14}{3} > x > \frac{2}{3}\}$$

(iii).  $-6 < \frac{x-2}{4} < 6$

**Solution:** As given  $-6 < \frac{x-2}{4} < 6$

$$\Rightarrow -24 < x - 2 < 24$$

$$\Rightarrow -24 + 2 < x - 2 + 2 < 24 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow -22 < x < 26$$

$$\text{Hence, } S.S = \{x | -22 < x < 26\}$$

(iv).  $3 \geq \frac{7-x}{2} \geq 1$

**Solution:** As given  $3 \geq \frac{7-x}{2} \geq 1$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \geq 7 - x \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 7 \geq -x \geq 2 - 7$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 \geq -x \geq -5$$

Multiply by  $-1$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq x \leq 5$$

$$\text{Hence, } S.S = \{x | 1 \leq x \leq 5\}$$

(v).  $3x - 10 \leq 5 < x + 3$

Sol: As given  $3x - 10 \leq 5 < x + 3$

$$3x - 10 \leq 5 \quad \text{or} \quad 5 < x + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x \leq 5 + 10 \quad \text{or} \quad 5 - 3 < x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x \leq 15 \quad \text{or} \quad 2 < x$$

$$\Rightarrow x \leq 5 \quad \text{or} \quad 2 < x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 < x \quad \text{or} \quad x \leq 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 < x \leq 5$$

$$\text{Hence, } S.S = \{x | 2 < x \leq 5\}$$

(vi).  $-3 < \frac{x-4}{-5} < 4$

**Solution:** As given  $-3 < \frac{x-4}{-5} < 4$

Multiply by  $-5$

$$\Rightarrow -5 \times (-3) > -5 \times \left(\frac{x-4}{-5}\right) < -5 \times (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 15 < x - 4 < -20$$

$$\Rightarrow 15 + 4 < x < -20 + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 19 > x > -16$$

$$\text{Hence, } S.S = \{x | -16 < x < 19\}$$

(vii).  $1 - 2x < 5 - x < 25 - 6x$

**Solution :** As given  $1 - 2x < 5 - x < 25 - 6x$

$$1 - 2x < 5 - x \quad \text{or} \quad 5 - x < 25 - 6x$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 5 < -x + 2x \quad \text{or} \quad -x + 6x < 25 - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow -4 < x \quad \text{or} \quad 5x < 20$$

$$\Rightarrow -4 < x \quad \text{or} \quad x < 4$$

$$\Rightarrow -4 < x < 4$$

$$\text{Hence, } S.S = \{x | -4 < x < 4\}$$

(viii).  $3x - 2 < 2x + 1 < 4x + 17$

**Solution:** As given  $3x - 2 < 2x + 1 < 4x + 17$

$$3x - 2 < 2x + 1 \quad \text{or} \quad 2x + 1 < 4x + 17$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 2x < 1 + 2 \quad \text{or} \quad 1 - 17 < 4x - 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x < 3 \quad \text{or} \quad -16 < 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x < 3 \quad \text{or} \quad -8 < x$$

$$\Rightarrow -8 < x \quad \text{or} \quad x < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow -8 < x < 3$$

$$\text{Hence, } S.S = \{x | -8 < x < 3\}$$

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